SHIMOGA DISTRICT.

Notification dated 1st June 1908.

It is hereby notified for general information that the exculsive privilege of collecting Tangadi (*cassia auriculata*) and kakke (*cassia fistula*) barks on all Government unoccupied lands of Shimoga, Honnali, Shikarpur and Channagiri Taluks of the Shimoga District, excluding State Forests and Plantations (which will be separately dealt with), from 1st July 1908 to 30th June 1909, will be offered for sale talukwar, by public auction by the District Forest Officer or other officer deputed by the Deputy Commissioner and District Forest Officer, at Shimoga on the 6th July 1908.

2. The auction will commence at 2 P. M. on the date of sale, and, if necessary, it will be continued on the next following day at the same hour.

3. The Deputy Commissioner reserves to himself the right to accept or reject any bid without assigning any reason therefor.

4. Parties intending to bid must attend either in person or by duly accredited agents and no person will be permitted to bid either in his own behalf or on account of any one else unless he deposits a sum of Rs. 100. The deposit made by the unsuccessful bidder will be returned at the close of the sale. The successful bidder shall, within three days after the confirmation of the sale is intimated to him or to his agent, pay into the Shimoga District Treasury one-eighth of the total rental including the deposit already made. Should he fail to do so, the deposit of Rs. 100 already made shall be forfeited, and the exclusive privilege will be re-sold at the risk of the defaulter, who shall make good all loss thereby incurred but shall not participate in any gain by such re-sale.

5. The lessee shall deposit a money security of Rs. 200 in favor of the District Forest Officer and sign an agreement binding himself to observe the conditions below, and the security amount should be paid and an agreement executed within five days after the confirmation of the sale is intimated to him or his agent, and in default the deposit of Rs. 100 will be forfeited and the right re-sold.

6. The balance of the lease amount and local cess at one anna in the rupee on the whole sum shall be paid in three equal quarterly instalments as noted below, commencing from 1st October 1908:—

1st October 1908.
1st January 1909.
1st April 1909.

7. In the event of any khist not being so paid, the lease will be cancelled, all bark remaining unremoved will be confiscated, and the whole of the balance of the lease amount will be recovered at once as a revenue demand.

Conditions.

(1) To prevent the cutting or barking of stems less than one year old. The barked wood to be the property of the lessee.

(2) To furnish a list of sub-contractors and mestris who may be appointed for the collection of barks in the different working circles.

(3) To keep accounts of all bark removed in the form prescribed by the District Forest Officer and submit, when required, the accounts so kept to the inspection of officers of and above the grade of a Forest Ranger, and of and above the rank of the Amildar or the Police Inspector.

(4) To provide passes for each cart-load of bark in such manner as may be laid down by the District Forest Officer.

(5) To forfeit at the expiry of the lease all bark remaining within the limits of the Shimoga District or any Railway premises within the said district.

(6) In the event of breach of any of the above conditions, the lease is liable to be cancelled, all the bark collected and stored up to the date of default or delinquency to be confiscated, and the whole of the lease amount paid up by the contractor or such portion thereof as may be decided by the Deputy Commissioner, be forfeited to Government.

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